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WORLD SERIES OF POKER® 2008

THE OFFICIAL VIDEO GAME

BATTLE FOR THE BRACELETS

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- seizures
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Use and handling of video games to reduce the likelihood of a seizure

- Use in a well-lit area and keep as far away as possible from the television screen.
- Avoid large screen televisions. Use the smallest television screen available.
- Avoid prolonged use of the PlayStation 2 system.
  Take a 15-minute break during each hour of play.
- Avoid playing when you are tired or need sleep.

Stop using the system immediately if you experience any of the following symptoms: lightheadedness, nausea, or a sensation similar to motion sickness; discomfort or pain in the eyes, ears, hands, arms, or any other part of the body. If the condition persists, consult a doctor.

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Do not connect your PlayStation 2 system to a projection TV without first consulting the user manual for your projection TV, unless it is of the LCD type. Otherwise, it may permanently damage your TV screen.

HANDLING YOUR PLAYSTATION 2 FORMAT DISC:

- This disc is intended for use only with PlayStation 2 consoles with the NTSC U/C designation.
- Do not bend it, crush it or submerge it in liquids.
- Do not leave it in direct sunlight or near a radiator or other source of heat.
- Be sure to take an occasional rest break during extended play.
- Keep this compact disc clean. Always hold the disc by the edges and keep it in its protective case when not in use. Clean the disc with a lint-free, soft, dry cloth, wiping in straight lines from center to outer edge. Never use solvents or abrasive cleaners.

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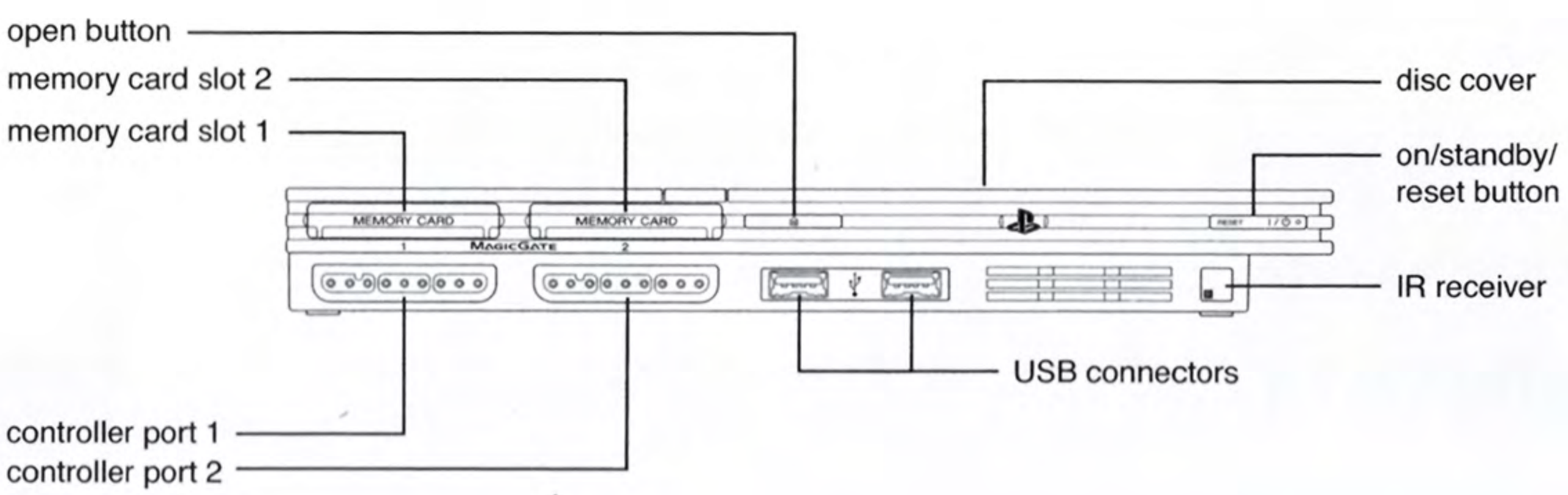
GETTING STARTED



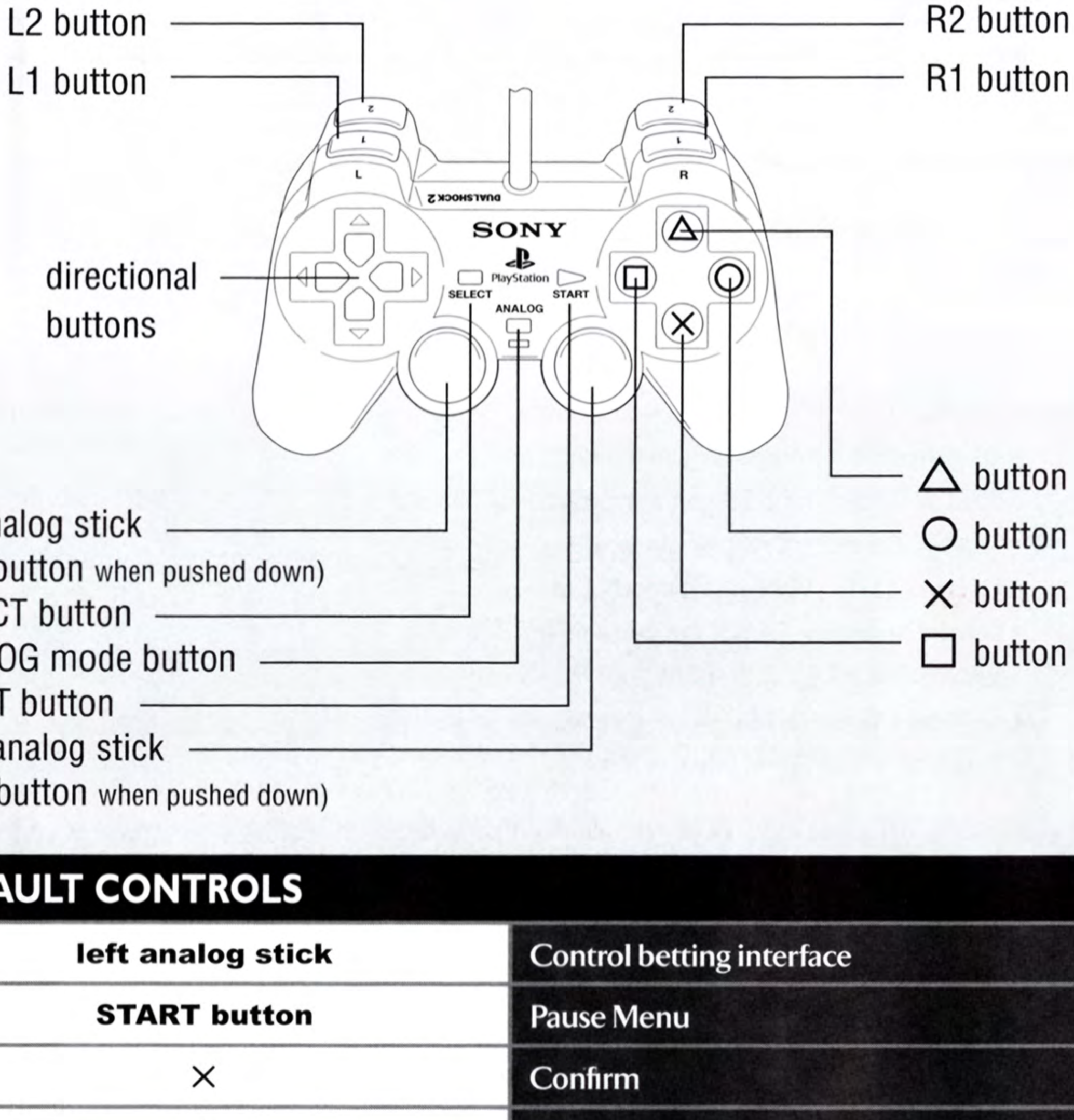
Set up your PlayStation®2 computer entertainment system according to the instructions supplied with your system. Check that the system is turned on (the on/standby indicator is green). Insert the World Series of Poker® 2008: The Official Video Game - Battle for the Bracelets disc in the system with the label side facing up. Attach game controllers and other peripherals as appropriate. Follow the on-screen instructions and refer to this manual for information on using the software.

Memory Card (8MB)(for PlayStation®2)
To save game settings and progress, insert a memory card (8MB)(for PlayStation®2) into MEMORY CARD slot 1 of your PlayStation®2 system. You can load saved game data from the same memory card or any memory card (8MB)(for PlayStation®2) containing previously saved games.

Saving the Game
Saving occurs automatically at various points throughout the game. When you see the autosave icon, World Series of Poker 2008: The Official Video Game - Battle for the Bracelets is saving your options, progress or unlocked items. When you see the icon, please do not remove the memory card (8MB)(for PlayStation®2) or the controller or reset/switch off the console.

STARTING UP

DUALSHOCK®2 ANALOG CONTROLLER CONFIGURATIONS



DEFAULT CONTROLS	
left analog stick	Control betting interface
START button	Pause Menu
×	Confirm
△	Peek at your cards
□	Pre-move/Show Cards (multiplayer only)
R1 button	Hand Rankings/Help Screen
R2 button	Poker Tools
L1 button	Blackjack/Video Poker
↑/↓/←/→	Control betting interface

BASIC NAVIGATION

To select menu options, move up and down on the left analog stick or directional buttons to navigate the menu options. Highlight the desired option and press ⊗ to accept.

MULTIPLAYER

You can play with up to 9 players in multiplayer poker games against opponents from all over the country. Play with your friends or generate a list of Rivals as you compete in single games and tournaments.

PlayStation®2 Online

To play online you must have a broadband Internet connection and network adaptor (Ethernet/modem)(for PlayStation®2) connected to your PlayStation®2 computer entertainment system.
To play online, you'll need to have your network configuration file saved on your memory card (8MB)(for PlayStation®2). Network setting(s) can be created using the network adaptor start-up disc included with the network adaptor (Ethernet/modem)(for PlayStation®2).

Once connected, select Multiplayer, and Internet Play to begin. You will have the following options:

- **Quickmatch** – Create or join a default game quickly
- **Find A Game** – Find a game by searching with settings
- **Host A Game** – Create a game with specific settings
- **Friends List** – View your Friends List
- **Leaderboards** – Check the current high scores
- **View Rivals** – View and edit your Rivals List
- **Upload Offline Stats** – Upload your offline statistics
- **Log Out** – Log out of Internet Play

If you host or join a game, you'll be taken to the Game Lobby to wait for other players.

Note: By playing online, you must leave the Activision-controlled environment of World Series of Poker 2008: The Official Video Game - Battle for the Bracelets. The game's content has been rated for Teen audiences, but the content of the game may change during online play due to interactive exchanges. Activision assumes no responsibility for content external to the game itself.

Setting Up Your EyeToy™ USB Camera (OPTIONAL)

If you have an EyeToy™ USB camera (for PlayStation®2), you can allow other players to see you during the game. This is an optional feature and is not required for online play.

Your EyeToy™ USB camera connects to either of the two USB connectors located on the front of your PlayStation®2. With the USB Symbol facing up, insert the EyeToy™ USB camera cable into one of the USB connectors. The blue LED power indicator on the front of the camera should light up to indicate your EyeToy™ USB camera is ready to use.

For tips on how to get the best picture quality as well as troubleshooting, please refer to the instruction manual of your EyeToy™ USB camera.

Setting Up Your Headset (OPTIONAL)

If you have a certified PlayStation®2-compatible USB headset, you can chat with other players during online play. This is an optional feature and is not required for online play.

Your PlayStation®2-compatible USB headset connects to either of the two USB connectors located on the front of your PlayStation®2. With the USB Symbol facing up, insert the cable into one of the USB connectors.

Home Router/Firewall Configuration Information

A router is a network device that directs network traffic to and from your PC or video game console when they are sharing a single Internet connection. More often than not, routers used for home networks have a firewall built into them. A firewall will look at network traffic going into the router and determine if it should be blocked or let in.

Routers and firewalls can be configured numerous ways but commonly they are configured to not allow "unsolicited" traffic from the Internet to your PC or video game console.

Activision does not support the use of routers or firewalls for multiplayer online play.

However, because of the increasing use of routers and firewalls in the home network environment, we have provided the following information for advanced users to assist them in customizing their home network settings in order to accommodate multiplayer online play.

ACTIVISION ASSUMES NO LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE RESULTING FROM THE CONNECTION OF ANY DEVICE TO THE PlayStation®2, NOR THE LOSS OF DATA OR OTHER PROBLEMS RESULTING FROM ANY CHANGES YOU MAKE TO YOUR EXISTING ROUTER/FIREWALL NETWORK SETTINGS.

In order to configure a router using Network Address Translation (NAT) or a firewall, consult the user guide for your router to enable PORT FORWARDING settings as specified below. Forward or route all traffic onto the following ports to the IP address of your PlayStation®2.

WSOP 2008 uses UDP port# 3074 and 3658

WSOP 2008 uses TCP port# 3074

WSOP 2008 supports NAT, but this process may delay connections. For the best results, do not run WSOP 2008 behind a router or firewall; it may take several additional minutes for video and voice chat to connect.

Note: *Gameplay will function normally as video and voice chat connects.*

Rivals

To foster a more competitive online experience, you now gain Rivals when you participate in Internet Play. A Rival is essentially a person who has beaten you in online matches. Rivals are added to your Rivals List which is accessible from the Internet Play menu. You can view details and manage your Rivals from the Rivals List.

Online Skill Level

In addition to Rivals, you also have an Online Skill Level. Your Online Skill Level is determined by how often you win showdowns (both online and offline) and how many total hands you have played online. There are five Online Skill Levels: Beginner, Novice, Recreational, Professional, and Expert.

Collector Chips

When playing online, you will have the option to set a Collector Chip as an ante. If you lose the match, you lose the Collector Chip and your opponent wins it. Multiplayer games can be set up to require a Collector Chip ante in order to join the game.

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World Series of Poker 2008: The Official Video Game - Battle for the Bracelets has the most robust tournament schedule ever, with more events, more bracelets, and more poker stars than ever before. New pros like Phil "The Poker Brat" Hellmuth, Mike "The Mouth" Matusow, and ten time bracelet winner Johnny Chan join the best lineup of poker players anywhere. Now that's poker, baby!

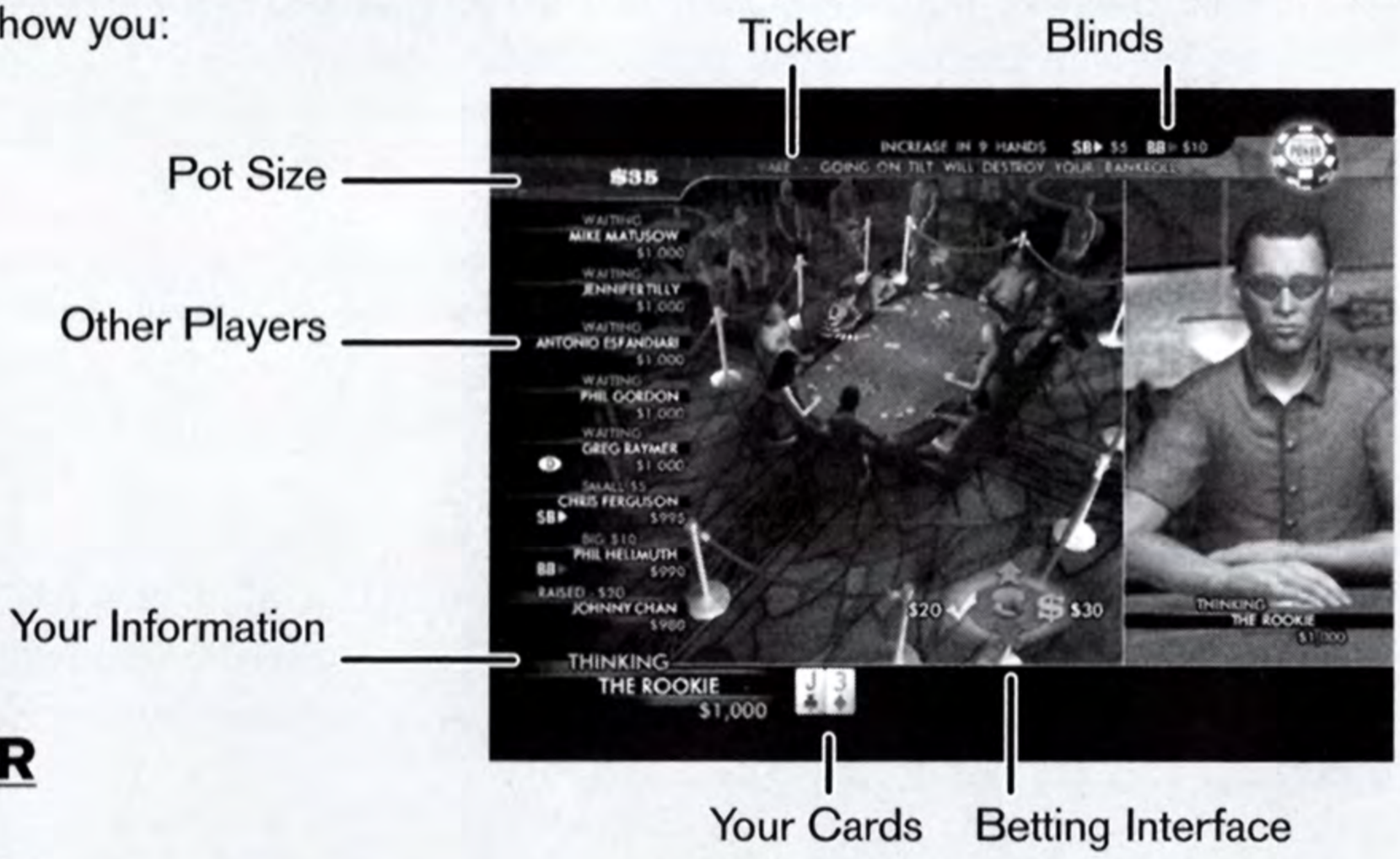
Main Menu

- **Quickplay** – Play a quick Hold 'em game, create a Custom Game or Tournament, play Speed Games, or play Video Poker and Blackjack.
- **Career** – Take on the best of the best as you compete in 43 WSOP events, invitational Cash Games, and the Heads Up: "Battle the Brat" mode.
- **Multiplayer** – Test your skills against other poker players across the country over Internet Play.
- **Tutorials** – Learn how to play and get valuable advice on each game type, test out each hole card combination, or test a hand from all table positions.
- **Options** – Adjust Game Options, Sound Options, and view the credits.

PLAYING THE GAME

Heads Up Display (HUD)

All the players at the table have their information displayed in the Heads Up Display (HUD). The HUD will show you:



CAREER

Difficulty

There are three difficulty settings to choose from:

- **Amateur** – On this difficulty level, you can participate in 19 events and have a starting bankroll of $25,000.
- **Semi-pro** – There are 31 events available in this difficulty level, and you have a starting bankroll of $15,000.
- **Professional** – The full calendar of 43 events is open, and you have a starting bankroll of only $9,500.

WSOP Events

The Career mode is a simulation of the real World Series of Poker. Depending on your chosen difficulty level, you can play through up to 43 tournament events based off of the actual WSOP calendar. There are six weeks of regular events, and then the Main Event occurs on the seventh week.

Each event takes either one, two, or three in-game days to complete. If you enter an event that takes two or three days to complete, you may not be able to enter any events on the following days. If you missed an event or want to re-play events, you can advance your Career a year by selecting Advance to Next Year in the Career Options.

Player of the Year and the Main Event

The major goals in the career mode are to become Player of the Year and to win the Main Event. Player of the Year points are awarded for every WSOP event in Career mode, but you do not earn points for events that you skip. At the end of the career year, whoever has the most Player of the Year points is crowned Player of the Year.

Bankroll

The Bankroll is how much money you currently have. Each event has a buy-in cost that is subtracted from your bankroll when you enter. By "making the bubble" – placing high enough to earn prize money, that is – you can increase your bankroll.

Cash Games

Cash Games are invitation-only events hosted by pro players. After you are knocked out of or win a tournament, it is likely that a pro will give you a call on your in-game cell phone and invite you to a game at another casino.

Heads-Up: "Beat The Brat"

This is a 1-on-1 ladder-style tournament against the top pro poker players in the world. You must beat several pros in order to eventually make it to the top where you will have to face off against either Johnny Chan or The Poker Brat himself, Phil Hellmuth.

Awards & Stats

Here you can view all sorts of stats related to your career.

Customize

From this menu, you can customize your in-game character and My Poker Rooms.

TUTORIALS

Phil's Poker School

This is a sequence of tutorials designed to give you advice on how to play all of the major Poker game types. Phil Hellmuth, Chris Ferguson, and Mike Matusow are all on hand to guide you through the different game types and instruct you how to proceed.

Hand Picker
In the Hand Picker tutorial, you play Texas Hold 'em with one very important twist: you get to choose your own hole cards. This is a good mode to use to practice playing the different hole card combinations.

Same Hand Jam
In this Texas Hold 'em game, you play the same hand from all 9 positions at the table. Your goal is to increase your bankroll as much as possible in 9 hands.

Videos
In addition to unlockable bonus videos, you can also gain access to iAmplify.com poker tip videos. These videos feature Phil Hellmuth discussing etiquette and strategy.

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